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1. [redacted] requested assistance in having the Lincoln Sesquicentennial Commission make appropriate award to a [redacted] who is a leading contender for the presidency in the forthcoming elections. His award would include an invitation to visit the United States. After considerable discussion it was agreed that this matter would be raised with the Director through [redacted] channels with the view that if approved within the Agency, Legislative Counsel would discuss it with William Macomber of State for his suggestions on an approach to Senator John Sherman Cooper, the Chairman of the Commission.

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2. Telephoned Representative Emilio Q. Daddario (D., Conn.) and established 2:30 on 28 May for Daddario to meet with the Director. [redacted] had previously advised the DCI would see Daddario and requested that Legislative Counsel, [redacted] and an appropriate E.E. representative be included.

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3. Nancy Hines in the office of Congressman Jim Wright telephoned and advised he could not make the proposed briefing on Monday, 25 May. However, they would call to arrange another time.

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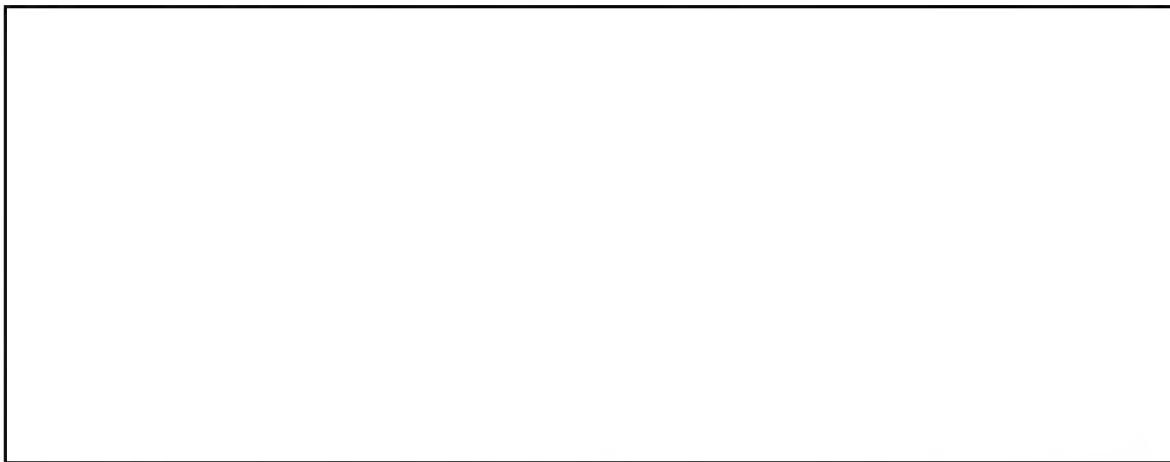
4. After discussion with Mr. Barnes of H. R. 3880, word was left with [redacted] that Barnes and Warner proposed to meet with Mr. Robert E. Merriam of the White House to discuss possibilities of talking over the bill with Representatives such as Judd, Bennett and possibly Jackson. The Director sent word back that he would like the meeting to be held over in the Agency to include the DCI.

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6. [redacted] (OSI) and [redacted] met with Spencer Beresford, counsel of the House Committee on Science and Astronautics, to discuss Congressman Anfuso's request that the Agency submit to his Subcommittee a statement containing a comparison of U. S. and Soviet space technology for the purpose of assessing the Soviet lunik shot. It was determined from Mr. Beresford that Anfuso does not intend to develop the subject of space technology generally in his Subcommittee hearings beginning on 26 May, but desires a brief statement to which he might refer. The statement would contain conclusions pertaining to Soviet missile tests and tracking guidance.

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[redacted] pointed out the problems involved in our providing a statement containing comparisons and added that while we could provide a statement on Soviet capabilities in this area we could not provide the comparison Anfuso requested. It was agreed that we would provide such a statement by 27 May in the hope that it would be acceptable to Congressman Anfuso. Beresford said he thought the statement would be accepted by Anfuso but if it was not, the Congressman would probably call the Director to discuss the matter further.

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